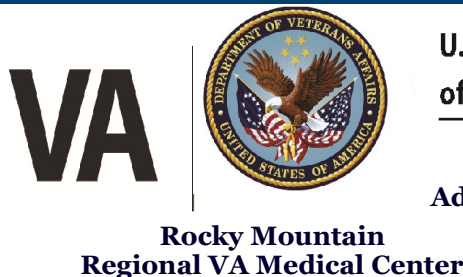


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Program Principles:

- Participation is based on your choice.
- The goal is to assist you in obtaining and maintaining employment in the community based on your individual interests, skills, abilities and needs.
- Services are coordinated with your treatment team members.
- Rapid job search is used. This means engaging you in exploring employment options.
- Customized services can be provided to assist you with learning your job and/or managing symptoms.
- Follow along supports are continuous and time unlimited
- Benefits counseling is provided to assist you in the employment decision-making process.



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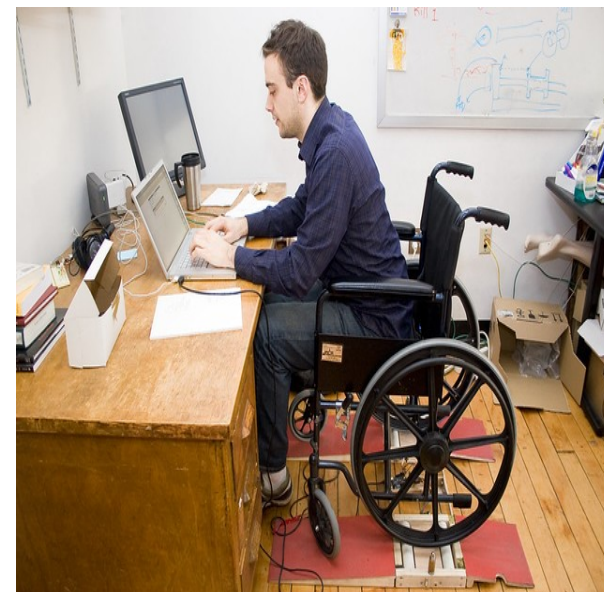
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What is Supported Employment (SE)?

SE is a recovery-based program that assists Veterans with finding part-time or full-time work with a focus on long term support that fits their needs.

Eligibility Considerations:

- SCI/D or TBI
- Medical clearance for participation by provider or another VA medical professional
- You will not be turned away if you have active mental health or physical symptoms; we will work with you and your team of providers

How do I get SE services?

If you are interested in working and think SE is something that interests you, let your provider know so a consult can be made and an informational appointment scheduled. This appointment is a time for you to learn more about the program, ask questions and decide if you would like to participate.

What can I expect from SE services?

- Understanding how your benefits may be affected by employment
- Figuring out what type of work you would like to do
- Creating a sample job application
- Creating or updating your resume
- Addressing gaps in your work history
- Picking up, filling out and returning job applications to employers
- Connecting with or talking to employers on your behalf about job opportunities that fit your needs and interests
- Taking you to tour/visit employment sites
- Preparing you for job interviews
- Developing an awareness of issues causing past employment problems and offer strategies to assist you in preventing future problems
- Attending interviews with you (if requested)
- Coordinating transportation
- Deciding when, if and how to disclose personal and medical information
- Networking and utilizing community resources
- Providing work site support (orientation, job coaching, accommodations, education)
- Assistance with obtaining documents for employment verification such as a driver's license, state ID, social security card or birth certificate

After you are employed, we can continue to help by:

- Assisting you with starting a job including: orientation, time cards, policy and procedures, mandatory training and safety review
- Individualized job coaching assistance with learning your job duties, getting along with co-workers/supervisors, accepting direction, etc.
- Helping you identify and negotiate reasonable accommodations or modifications if necessary
- Identifying and building on your strengths
- Training on stress management and/or social skills
- Assisting you with keeping your job through on-site, off-site or telephone contact
- Coordinating with your employer to resolve any issues that may arise on the job
- Tracking of work hours and wages for benefit reporting

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